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by Bob Scholar SLCC 8-bit Software chairman

GENERAL COMMENTS:

CURRENT NOTES has an 8-bit article in its latest issue- a FIRST!!

D.O.M. SUMMARY:

The back has Bellcom's Disk #371- an eight part DEMO- for 400/800 ONLY. The front has 6 programs;- 2 Games, 1 Text/ADV., 2 EDucational, & 1 UTILity (or UTIL/ED) file.

CONTENTS- DISK #1405:-

Front:- Boot with BASIC!

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* --D.O.M.--> 000 *-<-No. 1405- 000
* SAN LEANDRO 000 *COMP.. CLUB 000
*SLCC1404.DOC 029 DOS .SYS 037
HELLO 010 AUTORUN .SYS 002
MENU 034 AGENTCIO.OBJ 220
ANTICPAK.BAS 063 HAIKU .BAS 077
JAPAN .FNT 009 HELL .BAS 095
ROMAN .BAS 018 SPELLING.BAS 111
SAMPLE1 .DAT 001 SAMPLE2 .DAT 002
SAMPLE9 .DAT 004
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002 FREE SECTORS

Back: NO BASIC!- 400/800 ONLY! (XL/XE users use TRANSLATOR!!) Eight German DEMOS from Bellcom's library: "COMPY SHOP DEMO"& PAGE 6 Library Disk #87. Think of them as;- Golden Cylinder; Dripping Pipe; Golden Wave; Rods; Player Piano; Diamond Geometric; Animated Band von FROGDESIGN; and Hexagonal Geometric.
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PROGRAM DETAILS:

AGENTCIO.OBJ is a text adventure, by Mark Butler. It was in the ABACUS library (disk #67- 12/86). You are an agent of the CIO (Atari's Central Input/Output processor system). A user has encountered a BOOT ERROR. It's up to you to find and fix the problem, before he turns off the Atari, & buys a Commodore or PC!

ANTICPAK.BAS- by Eugene Koh, from ANTIC (3/89), is a collection of disk utilities written in ATARI BASIC with no machine language subroutines. It contains 5 complete program routines. Each one will run independently from the main menu. All you do is follow the prompts!

HAIKU.BAS by Albert Bagetta/ANTIC 8/87 is an A.I. experiment in Japan's classic 3-line poetry form (of 5; 7;& 5 syllables/line). It has flute music & JAPAN.FNT. Press any key to change; [SELECT] to end.

HELL (Escape From..) is an action Game by Tony Barnes, from ANTIC 6/88. The little green guy (you) has a time limit to race through the 6 levels of Hell, and pick up every back issue of Antic (at 5 to 10 points). The Devil decides how many points (2500 - 5000) are required to escape. Look out for the Devil; shaky ground; fire pits; & directional arrows. Press the button to start over (w/penalty!).

ROMAN.BAS;- a Roman/Arabic number translator; from ANTIC 3/88, by David Stone. It doesn't need instructions- just type a number, & [RETURN] to see both versions.

SPELLING.BAS is a flashcard drill using your word lists. It will guide you in creating lists (up to 40 words of 15 letters maximum; to be saved as *.DAT files). It also shows and lets you pick from those already on disk. (This disk has 3 SAMPLEs). You select the time allowed for answers. Taking too long counts as a wrong answer.

BELLCOM disk #371 (entitled COMPY SHOP DEMO or PAGE 6 Library Disk #87) is a huge German DEMO with 8 gRaphics displays, a title screen, & excellent background music. It goes 15 minutes, and repeats if you let it. To end any segment hit [START]. It will not work on an XL/XE (use a translator) and do NOT boot with BASIC! Leave the disk in the drive during play. There is no Directory;- I've called the displays: (1)Golden Cylinder; (2)Dripping Pipe; (3)Golden Wave (or SLINKY); (4)Rods; (5)Player Piano; (6)Diamond Geometric (7)Animated Band von FROG DESIGN; and (8)Hexagonal Geometric.

Minutes & Who's got one!

The April 2nd meeting started at the very correct hour of 8 PM, convened by President Robbie Bridges. For an interesting change, all Officers were present and accounted for. (All these things like starting the meetings on time and showing up for meetings is just a blatant attempt to get reelected to their cushy jobs again.)

Robbie showed all the various items for this evenings raffle. Another printer showed up, a historic 1020, several modems as well as an assortment of books and magazines.

Just to prove he is better than Bob Woolley at demonstrating 8 BIT floppy's, Robbie did the honors. Guess what, he isn't better, he's worse - a lot worse. Not only does he have a problem playing the games and using the utilities the audience has to coach him on how to use the 8 BIT. As far as the Floppy is concerned it has several games to keep you interested and the back of the disk is Bellcom's Earth Scientist disk number three.

In order to satisfy the club regulations, Nominations for Officers for the forthcoming year were held. What with the president only accepting nominations from his buddies when it was all over the same bunch of Officers were the only ones nominated. Remember if you don't get off your backsides and run, we will be stuck with the same old Officers again. You have another chance to nominate at

next months meeting on May seventh. If we have an election it will be held during the June forth meeting.

Other than being cheated at the monthly raffle again there was nothing else of importance happening and the meeting was adjourned about 9:45.

By the way. The question of who's got one could be answered by anyone who has run across a loan calculation program for Windows on a PC. Am looking for a program that will permit extra payments, balloon payment and other non standard items and still be able to keep track of the balance. If you know of one let me know.

For a final item I have to report that some lowlife, low level, long straggly hairdo member has been passing a virus along to all the good guys in the club. Watch yourself because any guy who would pass a virus along to our President is real bad news. Perhaps we should excommunicate this lowlife or maybe emasculate him or something. Being nothing else to complain about will close. See you at the meeting?

Jim Moran Secretary

**Next Meeting- Tuesday, May7th.
NO ST/PC Meeting this month!!**

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